

REMARKS

This is in response to the Advisory Action mailed on February 8, 2005.

Claims 1, 14, 23, and 27 are amended; as a result, claims 1-31 are now pending in this application.

Applicant asserts that the above amendments now positively reflect an authentication procedure to a transparent proxy. Furthermore, the transparent proxy is defined as being unknown to a client. The proxies used in the references do not perform authentication between the client and the proxies; and the proxies of the references are not transparent proxies as defined and positively recited in the amended claims.

Accordingly, Applicant asserts that the claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request an indication of the same.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

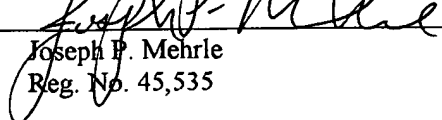
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